

ITEM # RESO 08-301  
FISCAL IMPACT: \$93,696.00  
FUNDING SOURCE: Unclaimed Funds  
ACCOUNT #: \_\_\_\_\_  
BUDGET OPENING REQUIRED: Yes

**ISSUE:**

A resolution declaring unclaimed money seized by the Police Department be spent in a “Public Interest Use” and authorizing a budget opening for the Police Department in the amount of \$93,696.00.

**SYNOPSIS:**

The Police Chief has consulted with the City Manager regarding the need to purchase capital equipment items and software not otherwise provided for in the regular police budget. These items total \$93,696.00.

**BACKGROUND:**

This money was seized as part of routine investigations by the Police Department and originally held for asset forfeiture proceedings, or as evidence of criminal activity. The Police Department has complied with all state requirements to identify, locate, and return these funds and have been unable to do so. Therefore, this money was forfeited to West Valley City and is currently in a revenue account. In order to expend this money, the final step according to state law is for the City Council to approve it’s expenditure as being a “Public Interest Use” before it is expended.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that this West Valley City Council approve this resolution.

**SUBMITTED:**

Thayle “Buzz” Nielsen, Chief of Police